

George Brown House
189 Frisco Street
Clifton Townsite
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Location:

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Significance:

The George Brown House is a typical example of residential architectural patterns in north Clifton.

Description:

The George Brown House is set at the north end of Frisco Street, facing east. A lushly-landscaped front yard buffers the house from the street. The back yard is open. The house is constructed in a gable-front plan with a corner entry porch. The roof form is unusual in that while the front facade is gabled, the rear of the roof is hipped, with a gablet dormer for ventilation. The house exhibits Neoclassical influence in the symmetry of its massing and the details of the turned wooden porch columns. Exterior materials of the wood-framed house include asbestos siding on wall surfaces and a wood shingle roof. Windows are double-hung wooden windows in a one-over-one pattern. A room addition has been made sensitively to the rear of the house.

History:

This small frame dwelling was constructed between 1904 and 1908 based on fire insurance maps, most likely after the 1906 flood. It first appears on the 1908 Sanborn map in lot 54 of North Clifton Road, now Frisco Avenue. Its association with George Brown is based on the 1908 Arizona Copper Company base map.¹

Sources (endnotes):

1. 1904 and 1908 Sanborn Fire Insurance maps; 1908 Arizona Copper Company base map.

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